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SUBJECT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING KMS INDUSTRIES

REFER YOUR TELEGRAM 0760. KMS INDUSTRIES (SPECIFICALLY KMS WATERMARK SYSTEMS, IRVINE, CALIFORNIA) IS A FULL QUALIFIED LICENSEE OF DU PONT THAT MARKETS REVERSE OSMOSIS POLYAMIDE HOLLOW FINE FIBER DESALTING SYSTEMS.

THE DU PONT HOLLOW FIVER DESALTING SYSTEM IS A WELL ESTABLISHED TECHNOLOGY FOR BRACKISH WATER DESALTING BASED ON THE USE OF DU PONT B-9 PERMEATORS. OVER 50 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY OF INSTALLED CAPACITY HAVE BEEN SOLD AND EXCELLENT RESULTS ARE REPORTED.

IN SEPTEMBER 1973 DU PONT ANNOUNCED THE AVAILABILITY, ON A DEVELOPMENTAL TEST BASIS, OF A B-10 HOLLOW FIBER PERMEATOR THAT IS SUITABLE FOR DESALTING SEA WATER.

IN LIMITED TESTS CONDUCTED BY THIS OFFICE, THE B-10 PERMEATOR HAS PERFORMED SATISFACTORILY ON SEA WATER PROVIDED ADEQUATE PERTREATMENT OF THE SEA WATER IS UTILIZED.

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IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT DU PONT LICENSEES HAVE SOLD SEVERAL
B-10 PERMEATORS WITHIN THE PAST YEAR.

OVERALL, WHILE THE B-10 PERMEATOR HAS PROMISING
POTENTIAL FOR SEA WATER DESALTING DUT TO THE NEWNESS
OF THIS TECHNOLOTY ONLY LIMITED OPERATIONAL EXPERIENCE
WITH THIS SYSTEM EXISTS. KISSINGER

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